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SUBJECT: TRADE COMPLAINT: KOLBERG & SANNE, OSLO VS. WAUKESHA MOTOR COMPANY, WAUKESHA, WISCONSIN.

1. SUMMARY: EMERGENCY POWER SUPPLY FOR A NORWEGIAN ISLAND COMMUNITY CANNOT OPERATE. MANUFACTURER'S ATTENTION REQUESTED.
END SUMMARY.

2. KOLBERG & SANNE A/S ("K&S"), KONGENSGATE 6, OSLO 1, HAS REQUESTED EMBASSY ASSISTANCE IN GETTING WAUKESHA SERVICE A WAUKESHA GAS TURBINE. K&S SAYS THAT AS AGENTS FOR WAUKESHA THEY SOLD A WAUKESHA MODEL T-400 GAS TURBINE TO A NORWEGIAN STATE POWER AUTHORITY (NORGES VASSDRAGS-VESEN) IN MARCH 1975 FOR INSTALLTION AT FLOROE, ONE OF NORWAY'S ISLANDS, AS AN EMERGENCY POWER SUPPLY. EMERGENCY POWER IS ESSENTIAL AS CONNECTIONS BETWEEN MAINLAND AND ISLAND ARE OFTEN DISRUPTED BY STORMS. THE \$50,000 TURBINE BROKE DOWN AFTER A FEW HOURS OF SERVICE, AND HAS SINCE BEEN REPAIRED A NUMBER OF TIMES BY A SERVICE ENGINEER FROM WAUKESHA'S REPRESENTATIVE IN ENGLAND, AUTO DIESEL BRABY, LTD. IN JANUARY THERE WAS A SERIOUS BREAKDOWN WHICH THE SERVICE ENGINEER AFTER THREE DAYS WAS UNABLE TO REPAIR. HE RETURNED TO ENGLAND, AND THE ISLAND IS NOW WITHOUT ITS EMERGENCY POWER SUPPLY.

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3. K&S STATES THAT BRABY REPORTS THAT WAUKESHA HAS NOT RESPONDED TO BRABY'S REQUESTS FOR ASSISTANCE. K&S IS THEREFORE IN TROUBLE WITH ITS VERY IMPORTANT CUSTOMER, THE NORWEGIAN STATE POWER AUTHORITY.

4. ACTION: REQUEST USDOC FIELD OFFICE CONTACT WAUKESHA TO ATTEMPT TO REMEDY THIS DIFFICULTY WHICH HAS SERIOUS HUMANI-

TARIAN AND TRADE IMPLICATIONS. WE UNDERSTAND FROM WAUKESHA'S
BRUSSELS OFFICE THAT INITIAL CONTACT COULD BE WITH A MR.
NEWMAN OF WAUKESHA.
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